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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08303.0030-01000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Frank BONADIO et al.) Group Art Unit: 3743
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Application No.: 10/600,812) Examiner: Camtu Tran NGUYEN
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Filed: June 20, 2003)
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For: APPARATUS FOR USE IN)
SURGERY AND A VALVE)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The items checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	76	-	91	15	x \$ 50	\$ 750.000
Indep.	5	-	4	1	x \$100	\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$300	0
Subtotal						\$ 950.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- 0
TOTAL						\$ 950.00

- ☒ A fee of \$950.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$950.00 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0918.

Dated: December 10, 2004

By: 

Roland G. McAndrews
Reg. No. 41,450